

Looking Forward

Gulf Region Newsletter



August 2023

Welcome, Gulf Sisters to a new and exciting year. As your first Gulf Region President, I urge you to become familiar with the exciting news that was revealed during our wonderful celebration in Kansas City. The 75th Alpha Delta Kappa Celebration was exciting, to say the least. Our Regional Luncheon, led by Past IVP Debbie Clark was filled with accolades and awards for many Gulf Chapters. Our Regional Celebration, following my installation, was a recognition and thanks to our outstanding leaders in the Gulf. The state and national Gulf Presidents were recognized for their commitment to Alpha Delta Kappa, especially to me and all our Gulf sisters. The sisters were shown how each state and national president communicated and motivated leadership and altruism and how their creativity provided energetic and interactive meetings. At our celebration I revealed the new Gulf logo.. A Spyglass and Compass asking all sisters to "Get Up & Look Forward" to the excitement that is the Gulf now and moving forward. Seven violets represent our states and nations and the circle of pearls represent our founders and our never ending love for our sisters. The new International theme & logo were also revealed and in President AnnMarie's own words, you will see it on one of the next page. With Love,
Lottie



A Message from the Gulf President-Elect

Hello Gulf Sisters!

We are excited to get this biennium started and eager to recognize what great things the Gulf is doing in Alpha Delta Kappa.

Membership is always a top priority, whether recruiting new members or retaining the members we have. This keeps our organization viable and moving forward. THANK YOU for doing what you are so successfully.

As you well know, supporting those who are still active in the classroom will help them be able to continue to enjoy attending chapter meetings. We do remember what it's like and we know how important they are to our organization. Thank you for considering their situation when planning your meetings.

We are here for YOU, so please contact Lottie, me, and/or Minie with any questions or ways we may be of help. We will be in touch with each S/P/N and State VPMS in the Gulf, so they are a great contact as well.

Until next time,

Kay Spriggs

Gulf President-Elect



A Message from the Gulf Vice-President for Membership

"We all have ability. The difference is how we use it." Stevie Wonder

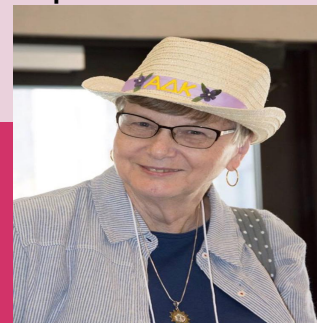
Welcome to the second year of the biennium. We have only one more year together. Let's help Alpha Delta Kappa grow and strengthen. Your state executive board was involved in "Cooking with Love", the Membership Training held in KC. All 4 P's should have the materials and ideas from the seminar. Your state/nation Membership Team will have some personal contact with your chapters concerning the CNA. Chapters are encouraged to revisit their goals and make adjustments as needed.

Remember that DPA's are due August 31.

Thanks for all the great work you have done and continue to do. Your state/nation Alpha Delta Kappa is only as strong as the members. Encourage, excite, enjoy. Remember I am also a phone call, text or email away.

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." Aesop

Minie



Ann Marie Brown- International President

"We started with a blank slate. Tomorrow, we have a new day! As Annie from the Broadway play sings, "The sun'll come out tomorrow."

The **birds** soar into the future, depicting the visionary leaders who founded our organization. Agnes is in the leading position!

Alpha stands for Athena with its color green.

Delta stands for Demeter, the color yellow.

Kappa stands for Kore, with our third official color, purple. This design is our modern colorized Delta.

Next, we have **upward vertical representations of the seven unique regions**. These symbols represent our organization's vision, mission, purposes, and history.

The **modern swipe upward** is fluid, as it conveys motion but is supported by the seven regions.

As we "**Bridge to the Future**," the theme for the 2023-2025 biennium."



Gulf Region Executive Board

President - Lottie Roy

Pres-Elect - Kay Spriggs

RVPM - Minie Coon

Secretary - Caroline Gilmore

Co- Chaplains Liz Lilly & Charmaine Ricketts

Historian - Kay Taylor

Co-SAAs Leslie Koenck & Silkia Obregon Vargas

Fraternity Education Chair - Carolyn Twaddle

Excellence in Education Chair - Suzi Bonifay

Altruistic Chair - Leslie Koenck

Technology Chair - Dawn Hudson

Diversity Equity & Inclusion Chair - Pippy Rogers

World Understanding Chair - Karen Evans

Gulf Conference Chair - Debbie Boswell



International Fraternity Education Committee

The International Fraternity Education Committee has recently been formed. This is now an International Standing Committee that will focus on collecting, organizing, and presenting Fraternity Education materials for members and chapters. I will be your regional representative.

Our committee will be contacting the S/P/N presidents to get the names of the sisters who are their SPN chairmen for Fraternity Education and Alpha Delta Kappa Month/Founders' Day. I am requesting all chapters and SPNs to send me any items or activities that you would like to have included in our collection. The members of our committee will be providing an article in each of the regional presidents' newsletters. We plan to provide some short selections for use at chapter meetings. The committee is eager to bring new ideas to all of you.

Carolyn Twaddle, Gulf Regional Representative

International Fraternity Education Committee

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Applications Open!

Apply
Now!

We have 3 amazing opportunities ready to receive applications open on our Awards, Grants, and Scholarship page! Check them out below.

Classroom Grant

Deadline to apply 10.1.2023

Distinguished Program Award

Deadline to apply 8.15.2023

Regional Mini Scholarship

Deadline to apply 10.15.2023



Check out all these opportunities in more detail by clicking here to be taken to the Awards, Grants, and Scholarships Page

You can't be awarded if you don't apply!

NOTE!!!

Deadline for the Distinguished Program Award has been extended to AUGUST 31!!

Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

August 31

Distinguished Program Award

September 1-November 1

Applications open for Regional President-Elect

September 30

AΔK St. Jude Walk/Run

October 1

Excellence in Education Award
Classroom Grant
Submission to KAPPAN

October 15

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Regional Mini-Grant

November 15

Innovation Grant

